

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows.

1.-8. (Canceled)

9. (Currently Amended) A method of improving weight gain and growth, while decreasing morbidity and mortality in animals comprising:

administering to an animal at any stage of the animal's life, through the animal's water source, a supplement ~~comprising a water stable globulin concentrate~~ comprising a water miscible and stable ~~globulin~~ immunoglobulin concentrate the source of which is animal plasma, said ~~globulin~~ concentrate containing at least 15% by weight IgG, wherein the supplement is not provided through the animal's feed sources or through a milk replacement.

10. (Original) A method according to claim 9 wherein the supplement comprises at least 15% IgG.

11. (Original) A method according to claim 9 wherein the supplement is administered to an animal selected from the group consisting of a pig, a cow, and a chicken.

12. (Original) A method according to claim 11 wherein the supplement is administered to a pig.

13. (Original) A method according to claim 12 wherein the pig is underweight.

14. (Currently Amended) A method according to claim 9 wherein the water stable ~~globulin~~ immunoglobulin concentrate is dispersed in the water in a concentration of from about 0.375 to about 3.0% by weight.

15. (Original) A method according to claim 14 wherein the concentration of IgG in the water is from about 0.1-0.75% by weight.

16. (Currently Amended) A method according to claim 9 wherein the globulin immunoglobulin concentrate is administered in a dose of 0.5 g immunoglobulin/hd/day or more.

17. (Currently Amended) A method according to claim 9 wherein the globulin immunoglobulin concentrate is administered with one or more additives or nutrients selected from the group consisting of carbohydrates, vitamins, and minerals.

18. (Original) A method according to claim 17 wherein the additives are water soluble.

19. (Canceled)

20. (Currently Amended) A method according to claim 9 wherein the globulin immunoglobulin concentrate is administered to the animal by placing it in the animal's water system via a stock solution and a liquid dispenser.

21. (Currently Amended) A method of improving weight gain and growth, while decreasing morbidity and mortality in pigs comprising:

administering to a pig at any stage of the pig's life, through the pig's water source, a supplement comprising a ~~water stable globulin concentrate~~ comprising a water miscible and stable globulin immunoglobulin concentrate the source of which is animal plasma, said globulin concentrate comprising at least 15% IgG, wherein the concentrate is not provided through the animal's feed source or through a milk replacement.